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SUBJECT: USDA GRADES FOR CHICKEN

REFERENCE: DHAHRAN 0758

1. THREE OFFICIAL USDA CONSUMER GRADES EXIST FOR CHICKEN: 1) U.S. GRADE A; 2) U.S. GRADE B; 3) U.S. GRADE C. GRADE A IS TOP OFFICIAL CONSUMER GRADE FOR CHICKEN AND ALL OTHER POULTRY. BUYER SHOULD SPECIFY IN CONTRACT USDA GRADE WANTED. ALL CHICKENS ARE INSPECTED FOR WHOLESOMENESS BEFORE OFFICIALLY GRADED AND EXPORTED.

2. USDA POULTRY GRADING MANUAL BEING AIR POUCHED TODAY.

3. KINDS OF POULTRY, CHICKENS, TURKEYS, DUCKS, ETC. ARE UNCLASSIFIED

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DIVIDED INTO CLASSES. BUYER SHOULD ALSO SPECIFY IN CONTRACT CLASS OF CHICKEN WANTED. BROILERS OR FRYERS ARE ONE CLASS OFFICIALLY DEFINED AS A "YOUNG CHICKEN, USUALLY UNDER 13 WEEKS OF AGE, OF EITHER SEX THAT IS TENDER-MEATED WITH SOFT, PLIABLE, SMOOTH-TEXTURED SKIN AND FLEXIBLE BREASTBONE CARTILAGE." ROASTER, NOT REPEAT NOT ROOSTER, OR ROASTING CHICKEN IS

ANOTHER CLASS OFFICIALLY DEFINED AS A "YOUNG CHICKEN,

USUALLY 3 TO 5 MONTHS OF AGE, OF EITHER SEX, THAT IS
TENDER-MEATED WITH SOFT, PLIABLE, SMOOTH-TEXTURED SKIN
AND BREASTBONE CARTILAGE THAT MAY BE SOMEWHAT LESS
FLEXIBLE THAN THAT OF BROILER OR FRYER." HEN OR FOWL
IS ANOTHER CLASS OFFICIALLY DEFINED AS A "MATURE FEMALE
CHICKEN, USUALLY MORE THAN 10 MONTHS OF AGE, WITH
MEAT LESS TENDER THAN THAT OF A ROASTER OR ROASTING
CHICKEN AND NONFLEXIBLE BREASTBONE TIP." CLASS
DEFINITIONS ARE IN POULTRY GRADING MANUAL.

4. BUYER CAN BE ASSURED OF WHOLESOMENESS AT TIME OF
INSPECTION BY REQUESTING MP-506 EXPORT CERTIFICATE.

5. BUYER SHOULD INDICATE SPECIFICATIONS IN
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